#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report 2011 Second Round September 28, 2011

Project Number CA-2011-170

**Project Name** PWC Family Housing Site Address: 153 N. Glendale Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90026 County: Los Angeles

Census Tract: 2083.000

Tax Credit Amounts Federal/Annual State/Total

Requested: \$938,913 \$0 Recommended: \$938,913 \$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: LTSC Community Development Corporation & Pilipino Workers Center

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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): LTSC Community Development Corporation

Pilipino Workers Center

General Partner Type:

Developer:

Nonprofit

LTSC CDC

Investor/Consultant: Enterprise Communities

Management Agent: Levine Management Company

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: New Construction

Total # Residential Buildings: 1
Total # of Units: 45

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 44 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%

Federal Subsidy: HOME / HUD Project-based Section 8 Vouchers (22 units / 50%)

Average Targeted Affordability of Special Needs/SRO Project Units: 40.00%

Affordability Breakdown by Units and % (Lowest Income Points):

30% AMI: 22 50 % 50% AMI: 22 40 %

# Information

Set-Aside: Nonprofit Homeless Assistance

Housing Type: Large Family

Type of Special Needs: Homeless / Transition Age Youth

% of Special Need Units: 22 Units / 50% Geographic Area: Los Angeles County TCAC Project Analyst: Jack Waegell

# **Unit Mix**

6 SRO/Studio Units

18 1-Bedroom Units

6 2-Bedroom Units

15 3-Bedroom Units

45 Total Units

Uni	t Type & Number	2011 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income	2011 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income	Proposed Rent (including utilities)
Spec	ial Needs Units			
6	SRO/Studio	30%	30%	\$448
7	1 Bedroom	30%	30%	\$481
3	2 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$577
6	3 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$666
Non-	special Needs Units			
11	1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$801
2	2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$961
9	3 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$1,110
1	2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0
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# **Project Financing**

Estimated Total Project Cost:	\$19,613,003	Residential	
Estimated Residential Project Cost:	\$19,578,076	Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$178
Estimated Commercial Project Cost:	\$34,927	Per Unit Cost:	\$435,068

# **Construction Financing**

# **Permanent Financing**

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
Bank of America	\$8,950,000	Bank of America - Tranche A	\$541,900
Los Angeles Housing Department	\$3,406,936	Bank of America - Tranche B (PBV)	\$1,568,700
HACoLA - City of Industry/RDA	\$1,732,815	Los Angeles Housing Department	\$3,406,936
CalHFA - MHSA	\$524,150	HCD - MHP	\$1,158,078
AHP	\$440,000	HACoLA - City of Industry/RDA	\$1,732,815
Cal REUSE & US EPA	\$1,245,750	CalHFA - MHSA	\$524,150
California Community Foundation	\$75,000	AHP	\$440,000
Deferred Costs & Fees	\$645,953	Cal REUSE & US EPA	\$1,245,750
Tax Credit Equity	\$2,592,759	California Community Foundation	\$75,000
		Tax Credit Equity	\$8,919,674
		TOTAL	\$19,613,003

#### **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis: \$8,024,898 130% High Cost Adjustment: Yes Applicable Fraction: 100.00% Qualified Basis: \$10,432,367 Applicable Rate: 9.00% Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit: \$938,913 Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis): \$757,500 Investor/Consultant: **Enterprise Communities** Federal Tax Credit Factor: \$0.95000

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

## Eligible Basis and Basis Limit

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: \$8,024,898 Actual Eligible Basis: \$13,677,253 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$9,313,776 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$12,759,873

### **Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

Required to Pay Prevailing Wages Parking Beneath Residential Units 95% of Upper Floor Units are Elevator-Serviced

#### **Tie-Breaker Information**

First: Large Family Second: 76.064%

## **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating expenses exceed the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 9.00% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition credit or credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.40%. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

**Special Issues/Other Significant Information:** The project has funding from CalHFA MHSA for 7 transition age youth (TAY) tenants. The project also has received a commitment of 22 Section 8 project-based vouchers from the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles.

**Legal Status:** Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

# **Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency has not yet completed a site review of this project. Any negative comments in the LRA report will cause this staff report to be revised to reflect such comments.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal Tax Credits/Annual \$938.913 State Tax Credits/Total \$0

#### **Standard Conditions**

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation, any Readiness 180-Day Requirements elected, and a Final Reservation. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of ten years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(6) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

Additional Conditions: None.

Points System	Max. Possible	Requested	Points
1 omts System	Points	Points	Awarded
Cost Efficiency / Credit Reduction / Public Funds	20	20	20
Public Funds	20	20	20
Owner / Management Characteristics	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within ¼ mile of transit stop, service every 30 min, 25 units/acre density	7	7	7
Within ½ mile of public park or community center open to general public	2	2	2
Within ½ mile of public library	2	2	2
Within 1.5 miles of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	3	3	3
Large Family proj. w/i ¼ mile of public school project children may attend	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of medical clinic or hospital	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of a pharmacy	1	1	1
Service Amenities	10	10	10
LARGE FAMILY, SENIOR, AT-RISK HOUSING TYPES			
Service Coordinator, minimum ratio of 1 FTE to 600 bedrooms	5	5	5
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, minimum 60 hrs/yr instruction	5	5	5
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	10
NEW CONSTRUCTION			
Develop project in accordance w/ requirements of: Green Communities	5	5	5
Energy efficiency beyond CA Building Code Title 24 requirements: 20%	5	5	5
Lowest Income	52	52	52
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed	20	20	20
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
State Credit Substitution	2	2	2
Total Points	148	148	148

<u>Please Note:</u> If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.